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Sir:

In order to comply with Applicants' duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and at the request of Examiner Azpura on February 24, 2006, are a listing of claims currently pending in Applicants' co-pending Utility application U.S. Serial No. 11/214,858, filed August 31, 2005. The submission of any document herewith, which is not a statutory bar, is not intended as an admission that such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application or is considered to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b). Applicants do not waive any rights to take any action which would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove as a competent reference any document which is determined to be a prima facie prior art reference against the claims of the present application.

Applicants believe no additional fees are due since Examiner Azpura requested the submission of the pending claims from the co-pending application. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with the filing of this paper to undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-1067.

Respectfully submitted,

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PENDING CLAIMS

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for COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR NUTRITION SUPPLEMENTATION

Claim 159 A composition comprising beta-carotene, magnesium, zinc, and vitamins consisting of vitamin C, vitamin D₃, vitamin E, vitamin B₁, vitamin B₂, vitamin B₃, vitamin B₆, vitamin B₉ and vitamin B₁₂,

wherein said composition is substantially free of alpha-carotene, zeaxanthin, manganese, boron, odorless garlic, coenzyme Q-10, l-carnitine, grape seed extract, green tea extract, guercetin, and hawthorne berries.

Claim 161 The composition of claim 159, wherein said vitamin B_1 comprises thiamine mononitrate.

Claim 162 The composition of claim 159, wherein said vitamin B₂ comprises riboflavin.

Claim 163 The composition of claim 159, wherein said vitamin B₃ comprises niacinamide.

Claim 164 The composition of claim 159, wherein said vitamin B₃ comprises an equivalent molar amount of niacin.

Claim 166 The composition of claim 159, wherein said vitamin B₆ comprises pyridoxine hydrochloride.

Claim 168 The composition of claim 159, wherein said vitamin B₉ comprises one or more selected from the group consisting of folic acid, folacin, metafolin, and folate.

Claim 169 The composition of claim 168, wherein said vitamin B₉ comprises one or more natural isomers of folate selected from the group consisting of (6S)-

tetrahydrofolic acid and a polyglutamyl derivative thereof, 5-methyl-(6S)-

tetrahydrofolic acid and a polyglutamyl derivative thereof, 5-formyl-(6S)-

tetrahydrofolic acid or a polyglutamyl derivative thereof, 10-formyl-(6R)-

tetrahydrofolic acid and a polyglutamyl derivative thereof, 5,10-methylene-(6R)-

tetrahydrofolic acid and a polyglutarnyl derivative thereof, 5,10-methenyl-(6R)-

tetrahydrofolic acid and a polyglutamyl derivative thereof and 5-formimino-(6S)tetrahydrofolic acid and a polyglutamyl derivative thereof.

Claim 170 The composition of claim 159, wherein said vitamin B_{12} comprises evanocobalamin.

Claim 171 The composition of claim 159, wherein said vitamin C comprises ascorbic acid.

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Claim 172 The composition of claim 159, wherein said vitamin D₃ comprises cholecalciferol.

Claim 173 The composition of claim 159, wherein said vitamin E comprises d-alpha succinate.

Claim 174 The composition of claim 159, wherein said vitamin E comprises d-alpha tocopheryl succinate.

Claim 178 The composition of claim 159, wherein said magnesium comprises magnesium oxide.

Claim 180 The composition of claim 159, wherein said zinc comprises zinc oxide.

Claim 181 The composition of claim 159, wherein said composition is administrable to a patient for nutritional supplementation.

Claim 182 The composition of claim 181, wherein said patient is in a physiologically stressful state.

Claim 183 The composition of claim 181, wherein said patient has nutritional deficiencies.